the Central services, are required to furnished a declaration of assets on the lines required of Members of Parliament and State Assemblies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): In terms of clause (i) of sub Rule 1 of Rule 18 of CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964, every Government servant shall on his appointment to any Sevice or post, submit a return of assets and liabilities held by him/her either in his/her own name or in the name of any member of his/her family or in the name of any other person. The details of such assets and liabilities are more or less on the same lines required of Members of Parliament.

Reforms in the bureaucracy

349. SHRI KAMALAKHTAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Administrative Reforms Commission (ARC) has been assigned to look into reforms in the bureaucracy;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the ARC is only examining reforms to be carried for the IAS and no other services;
 - (c) if so, the reasons therefor and if not, the detais thereof;
- (d) whether a number of IAS officers specially of Maharashtra cadre have resigned since 2005;
 - (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether a number of Indian Revenue Service Officers both from Income Tax and Customs and Central Excise Services have resigned since June 2004; and
 - (g) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) The Government of India has constituted on 31.8.2005, the second Administrative Reforms Commission to prepare a detailed blueprint for remaping the public administration system.

- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) The Commission has been requested to make its recommendations, inter alia, on 'Refurbishing of Personnel Administration'.
- (d) and (e) Since 2005, only once officer of Maharashtra Cadre has resigned from the IAS.
- (f) and (g) Since June, 2004, 27 officers of the Indian Revenue Service (Indian Customs and Central Excise) and 26 officers of the Indian Revenue Service (Income Tax) have resigned on personal grounds.

Appointment after superannuation

350. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that after attaining the age of superannuation, serveral senior administrative officers are appointed on important posts in different semi-Government institutes:
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
 - (c) whether Government have data in this regard;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (e) the policy of Govenment in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) to (e) The appointments to various posts in the semi-Government Institutes are governed by the Statutes/Memorandum of Associations of these Institutes or governed by Recruitment Rules framed thereunder. Such Statutes/MOAs/Recruitment Rules also prescribed the eligibility conditions as also the maximum age upto which any post can be held. For some posts in semi-Government Intitutes, the maximum age upto which these can be held is more than the normal age of superannuation under the Government. Since the power of appointment to most of these posts in semi-Government Institutes vests with administrative Ministries/Departments or with the Institutes and very few of of these are referred to the Department of Personnel and Training, no data is maintained in the DoP&T.